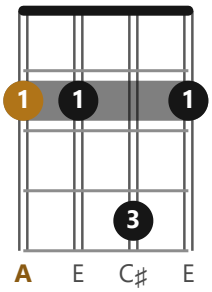
A major chords · Irish bouzouki GDAD

Scale A B C♯ D E F♯ G♯ · **Drones** Open A rings in A major; D fits the key too. **Capo 2:** play it with G major shapes and every open course is in the key.

G D A D, low course to high · the numbers are fingers (1 index … 4 little) · brass marks the root · x: don't play · o: open

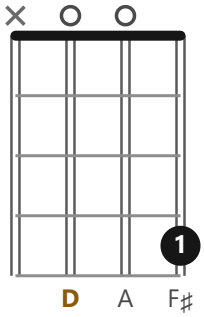
MAIN CHORDS

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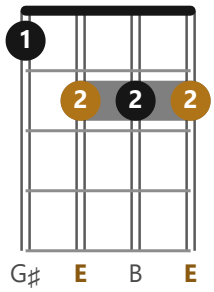
2 2 4 2

IV D



x 0 0 4

V E



1 2 2 2

COMMON PROGRESSIONS

I – IV – I – V

A – D – A – E

(a plain backing for many reels and jigs)

I – vi – IV – V

A – F♯m – D – E

(a B part that wanders, or a song)

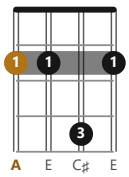
I – V – I

A – E – A

(polkas and simple tunes)

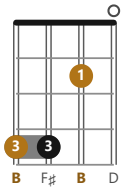
THE SEVEN CHORDS IN A MAJOR

I A



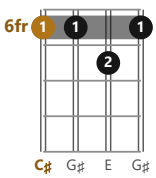
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ii Bm



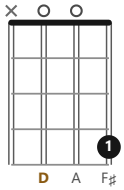
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iii C♯m



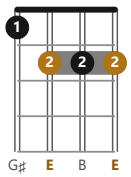
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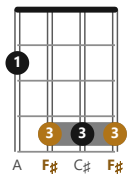
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V E



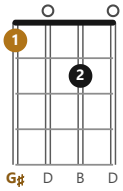
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vi F♯m



2 4 4 4

vii° G♯dim

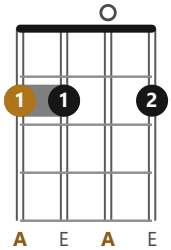


1 0 2 0

WITHOUT THE 3RD

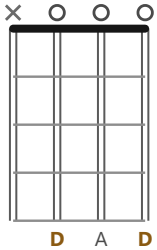
5 and sus chords leave the 3rd out, so they don't commit the tune to major or minor.

A5



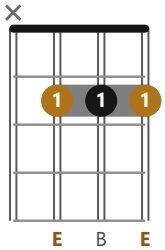
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D5



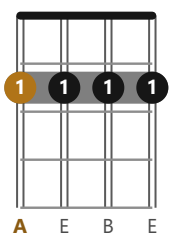
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E5



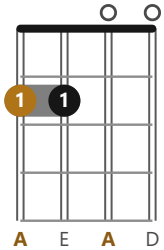
x 2 2 2

Asus2



2 2 2 2

Asus4



2 2 0 0